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THE WORLD'S MOST WAY PAST COOL COMIC!



# SONIC

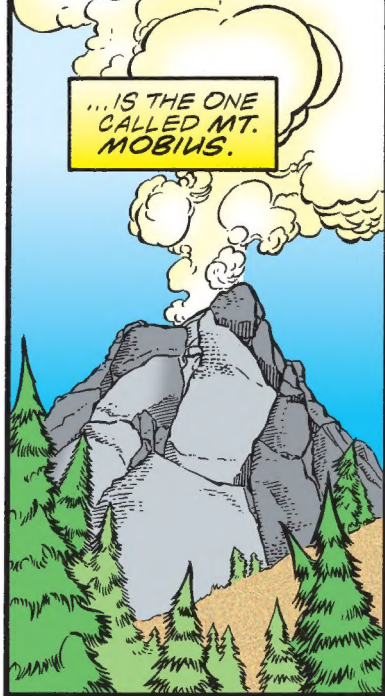
## THE HEDGEHOG



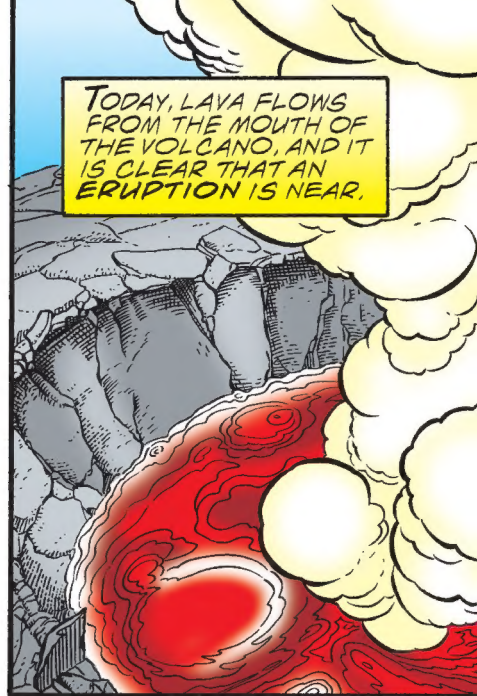
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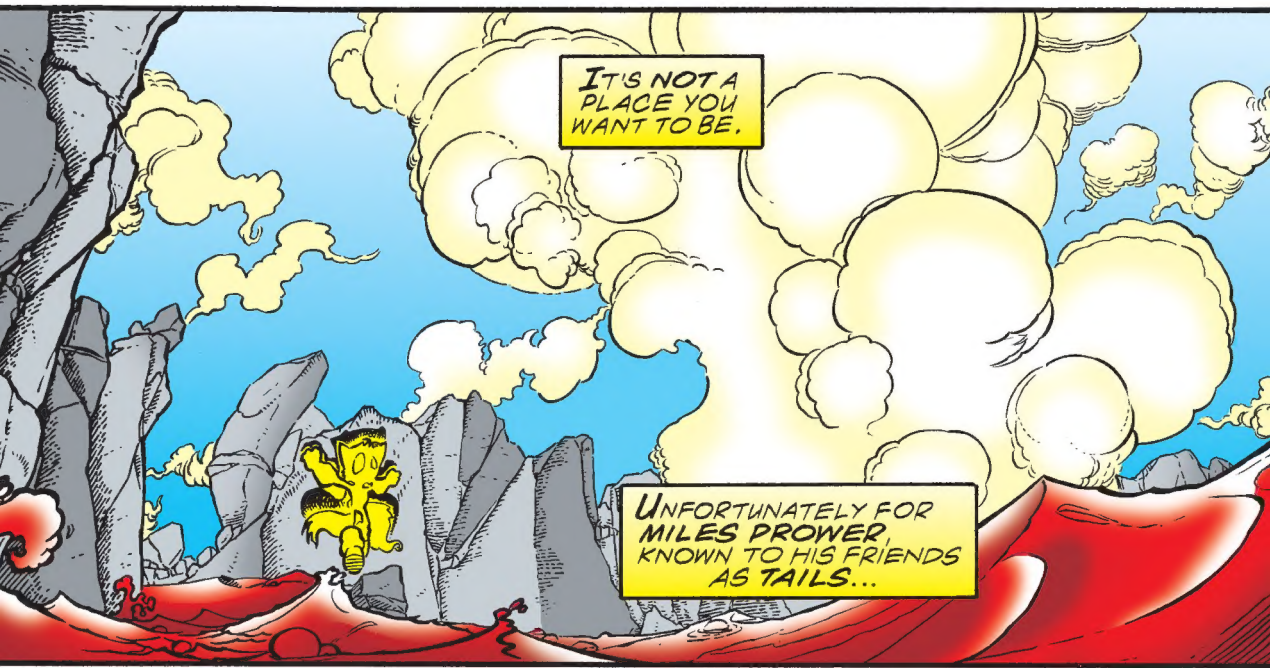
ON THE PLANET MOBIUS, THE MOST VOLATILE VOLCANO...



...IS THE ONE CALLED MT. MOBIUS.



TODAY, LAVA FLOWS FROM THE MOUTH OF THE VOLCANO, AND IT IS CLEAR THAT AN ERUPTION IS NEAR.



IT'S NOT A PLACE YOU WANT TO BE.

UNFORTUNATELY FOR MILES PROWER, KNOWN TO HIS FRIENDS AS TAILS...



...HE HAS VERY LITTLE CHOICE IN THE MATTER.

VERY FAR OFF, TAILS  
FRIEND AND MENTOR--  
**SONIC**  
THE HEDGEHOG

--PICKS HIMSELF  
UP FROM HIS LATEST  
SETBACK IN HIS  
ATTEMPT TO SAVE  
HIS YOUNG ALLY.

MAN,  
METALSONIC CLOCKED  
ME WITH THE WORLD'S  
SNEAKIEST SUCKER  
PUNCH.

AND I DON'T  
KNOW WHERE HE'LL  
BE LURKING  
AROUND  
NEXT.

BUT IT DOESN'T  
MATTER THAT HE'S  
POWERED BY A POWER  
GEM OR THAT IT FINALLY  
GAVE HIM A  
PERSONALITY.

I'M GONNA  
SAVE TAILS--AND  
THAT'S ALL SHE  
WROTE!

After ten long years, the iron-fisted rule of DOCTOR ROBOTNIK over planet MOBIUS was believed to have finally ended! With the technological tyrant vanquished and his polluted factories shut down, order and beauty were restored to the city of MOBOTROPOLIS. Now the villain has returned to wreak havoc once more, but there are many who are willing to stand against him in the fight for freedom. The bravest among them is a brash, blue streak who just happens to be the fastest thing alive! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

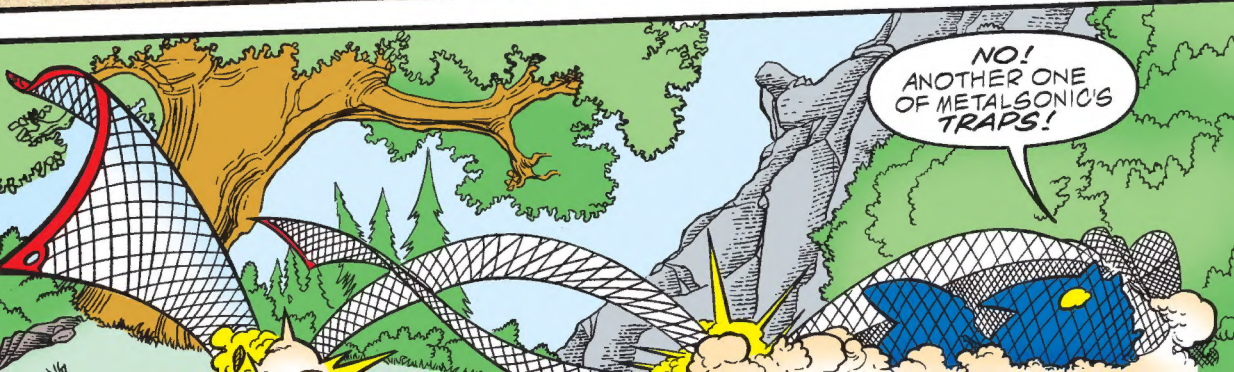
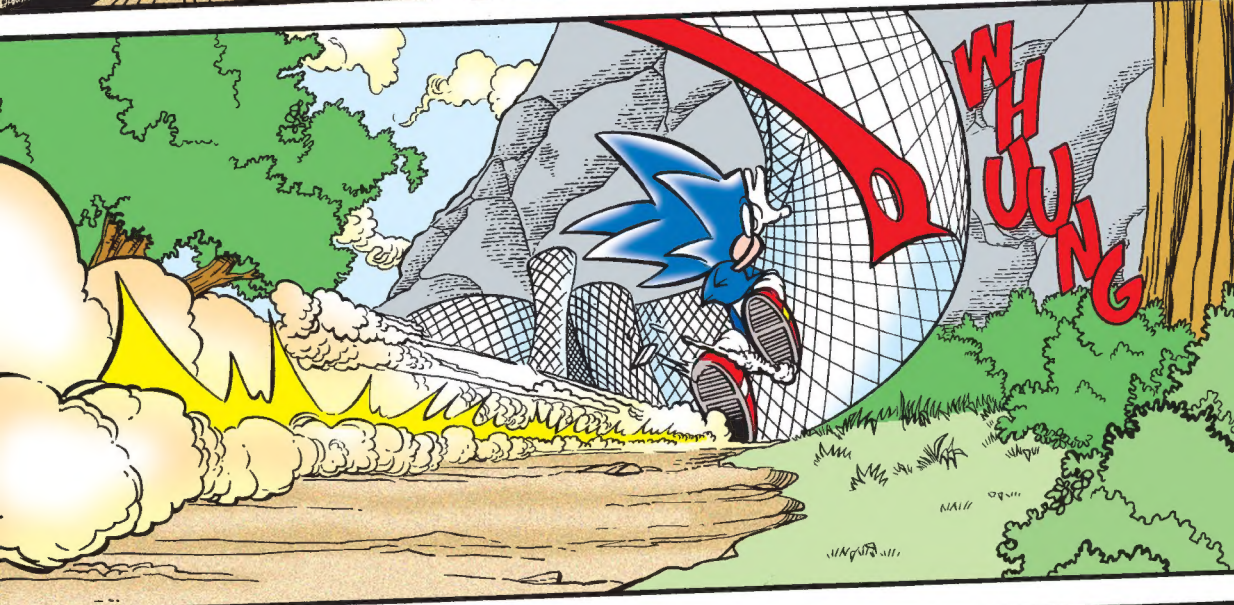
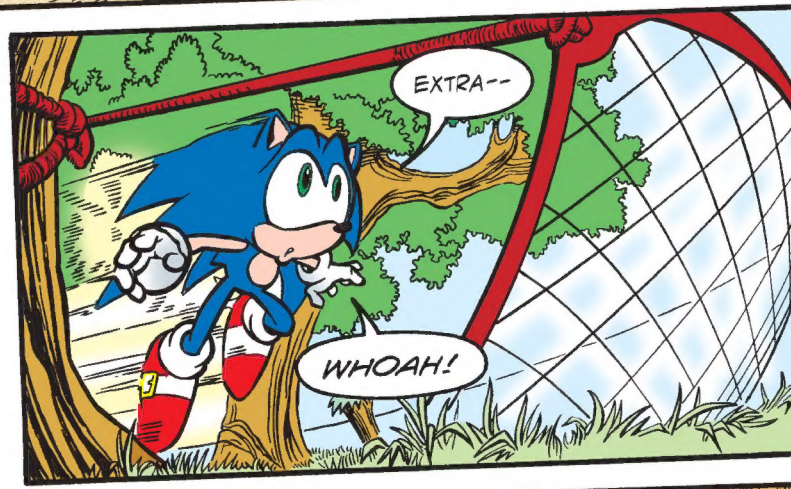
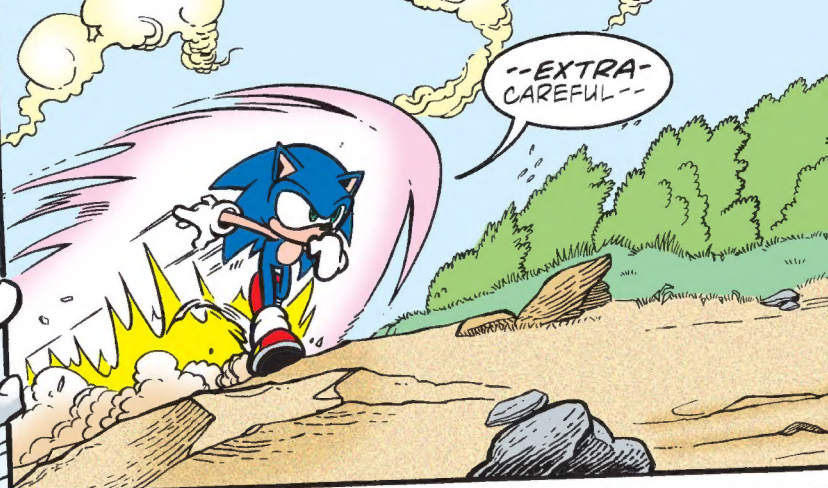
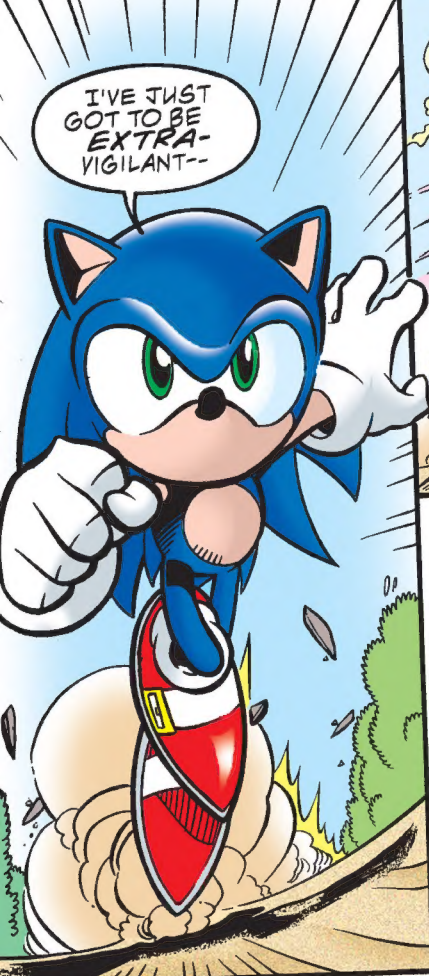
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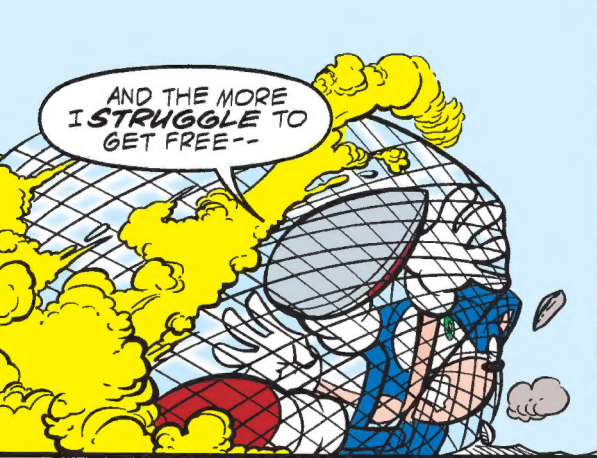
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# LAVA STORY

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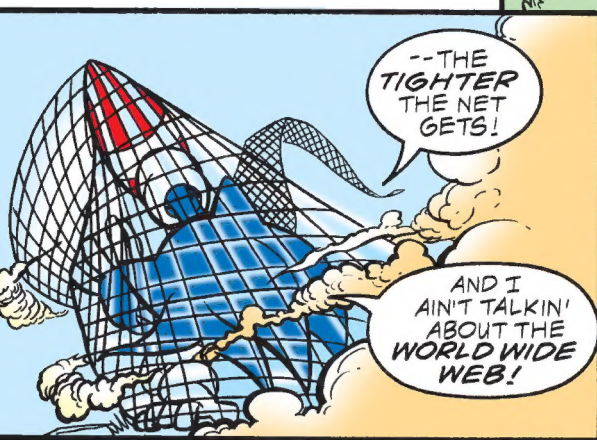




AND THE MORE I STRUGGLE TO GET FREE--

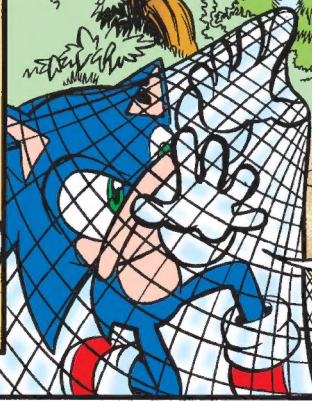


OH, THIS IS JUST THE KIND OF ENTERTAINMENT I WAS AFTER!

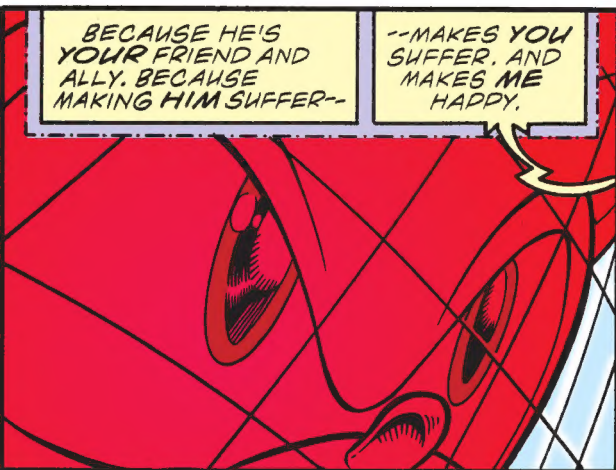


--THE TIGHTER THE NET GETS!

AND I AIN'T TALKIN' ABOUT THE WORLD WIDE WEB!

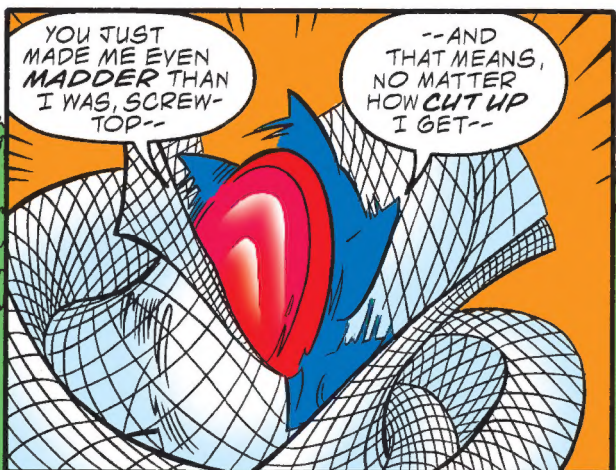


METALSONIC, YOU HATE ME, FINE. BUT YOU HAVE ME, WHY NOT LET TAILS GO?



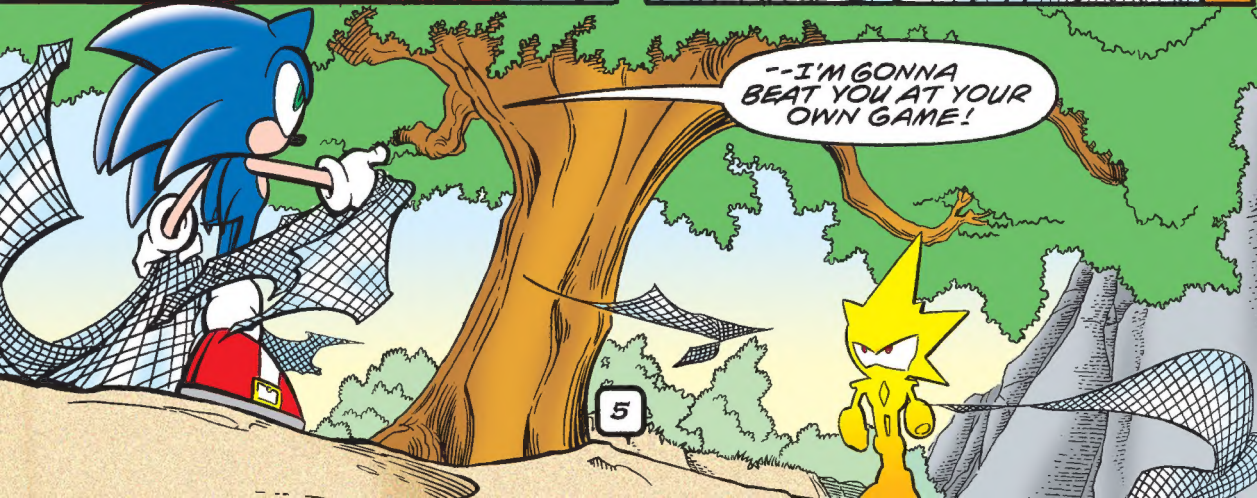
BECAUSE HE'S YOUR FRIEND AND ALLY. BECAUSE MAKING HIM SUFFER--

--MAKES YOU SUFFER, AND MAKES ME HAPPY.

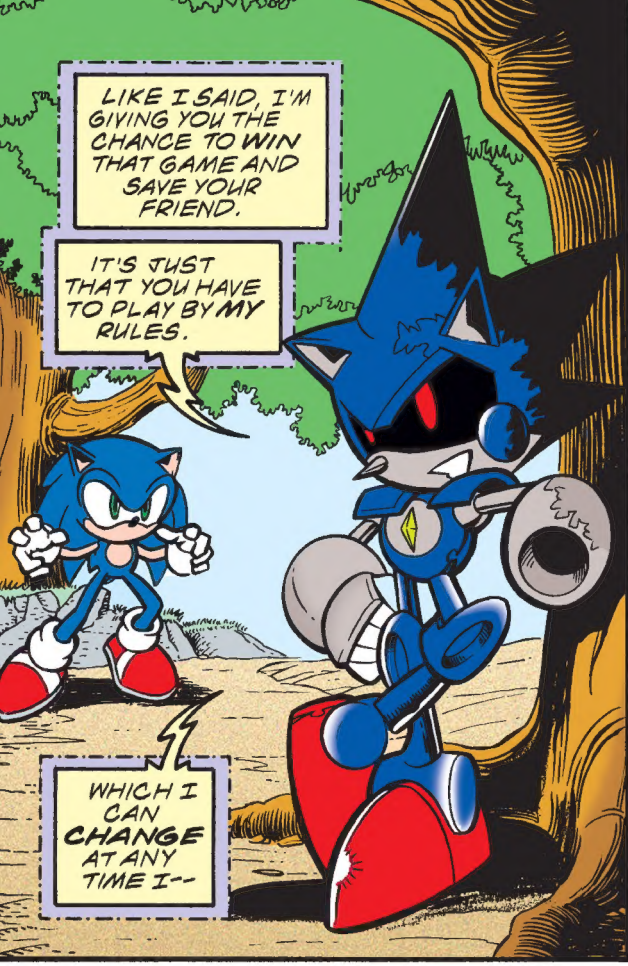


YOU JUST MADE ME EVEN MADDER THAN I WAS, SCREW-TOP--

--AND THAT MEANS, NO MATTER HOW CHT UP I GET--



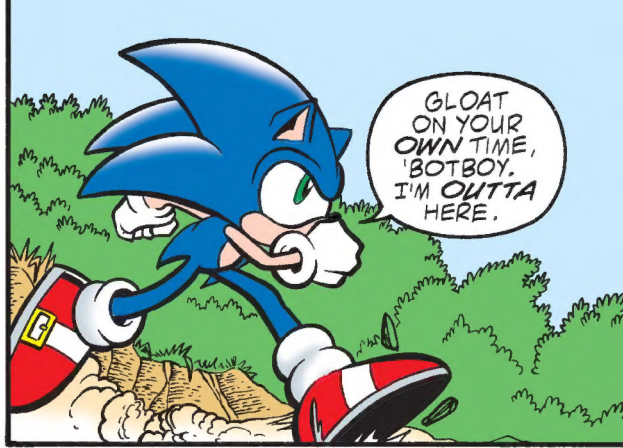
--I'M GONNA BEAT YOU AT YOUR OWN GAME!



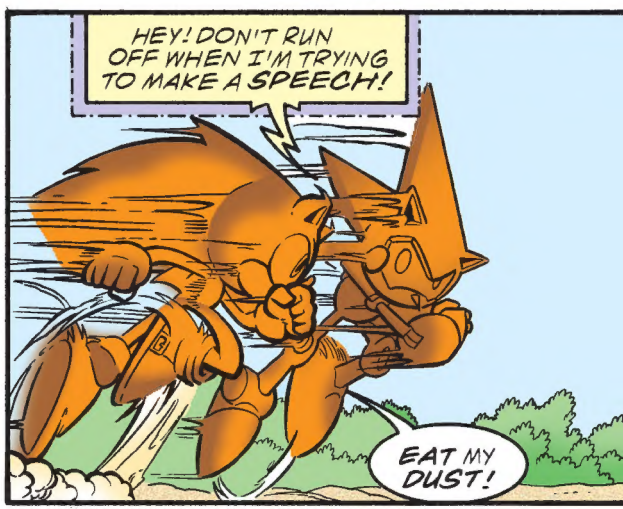
LIKE I SAID, I'M GIVING YOU THE CHANCE TO WIN THAT GAME AND SAVE YOUR FRIEND.

IT'S JUST THAT YOU HAVE TO PLAY BY MY RULES.

WHICH I CAN CHANGE AT ANY TIME I--

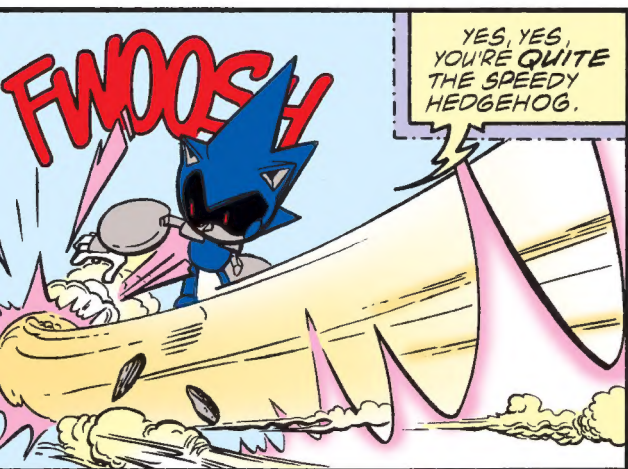


GLOAT ON YOUR OWN TIME, 'BOTBOY. I'M OUTTA HERE.

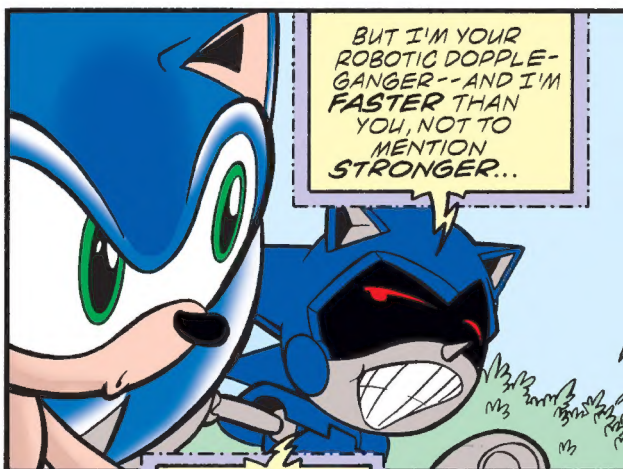


HEY! DON'T RUN OFF WHEN I'M TRYING TO MAKE A SPEECH!

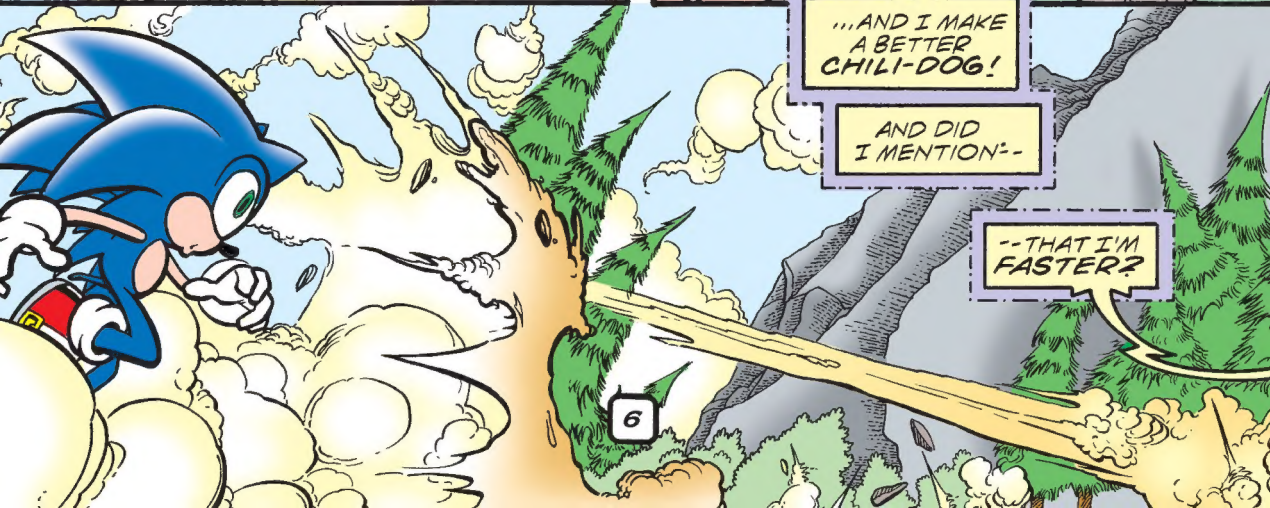
EAT MY DUST!



YES, YES, YOU'RE QUITE THE SPEEDY HEDGEHOG.



BUT I'M YOUR ROBOTIC DOPPLE-GANGER-- AND I'M FASTER THAN YOU, NOT TO MENTION STRONGER...



...AND I MAKE A BETTER CHILI-DOG!

AND DID I MENTION--

--THAT I'M FASTER?

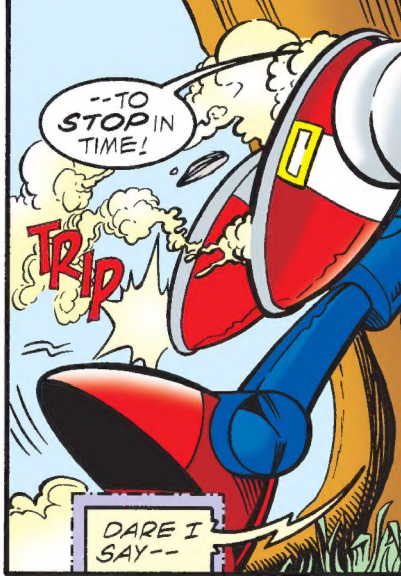


A LITTLE LATER...

CAN'T LET HIM YANK MY CHAIN. I'VE GOTTA JUST THINK ABOUT SAYING--

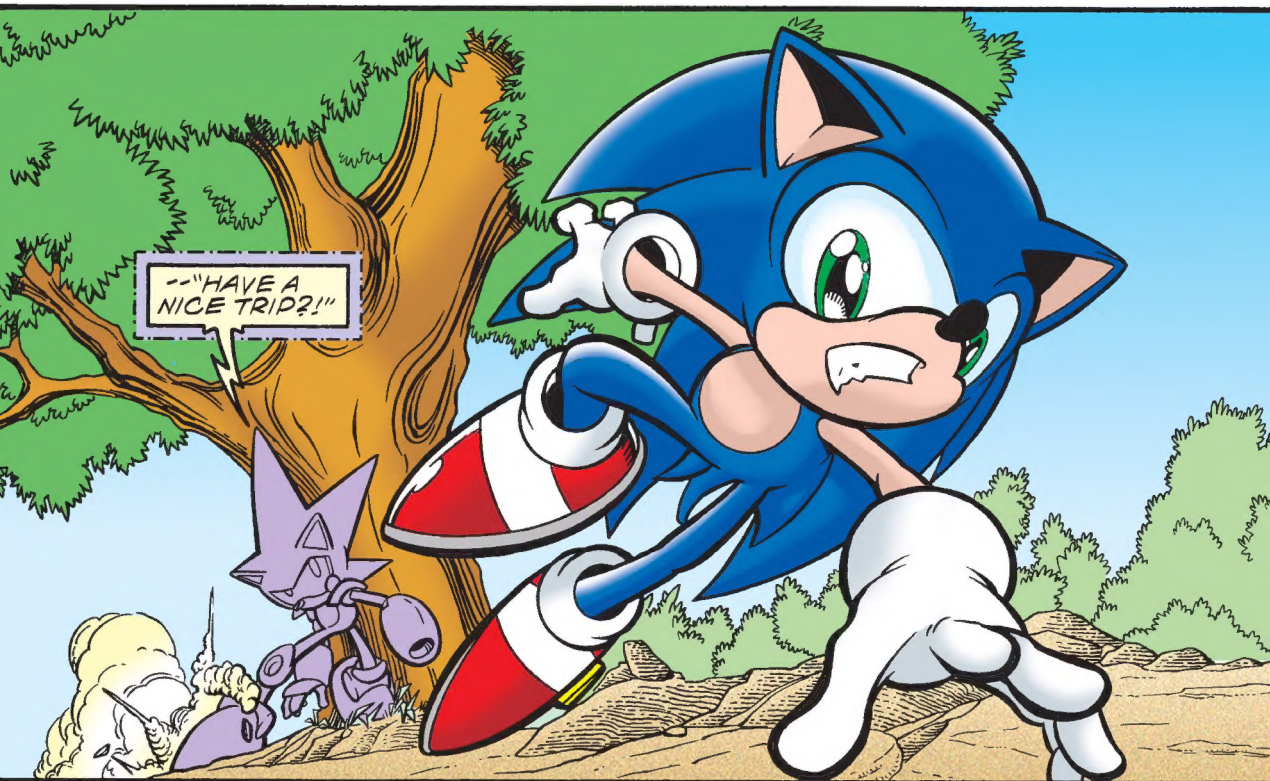


NO! I'M GOING TOO FAST--

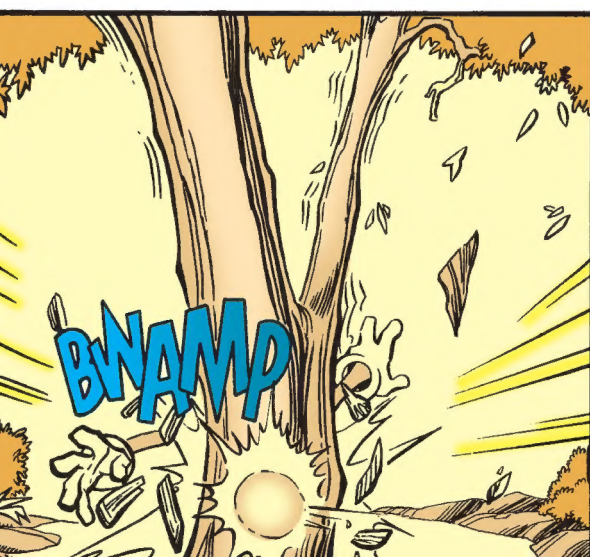


--TO STOP IN TIME!

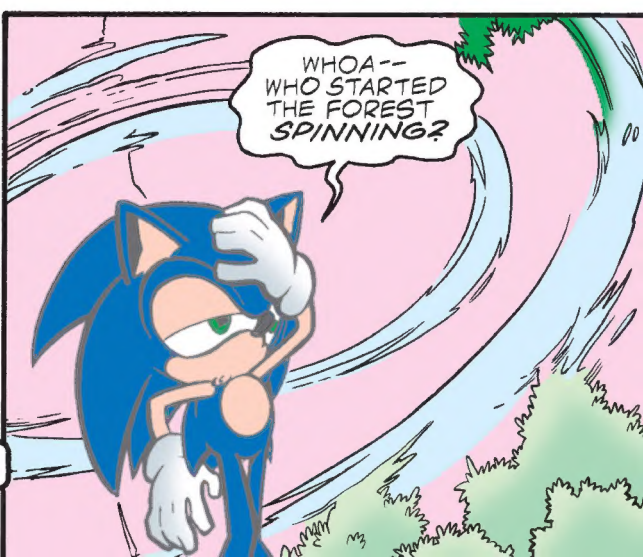
DARE I SAY--



--"HAVE A NICE TRIP?!"



BNAMP



WHOA-- WHO STARTED THE FOREST SPINNING?

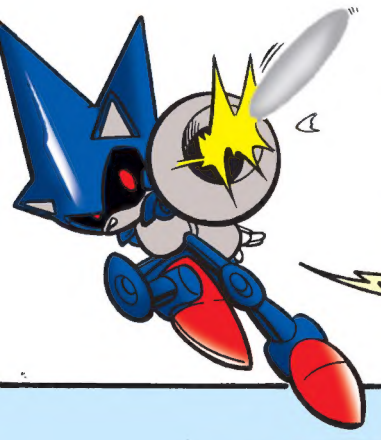
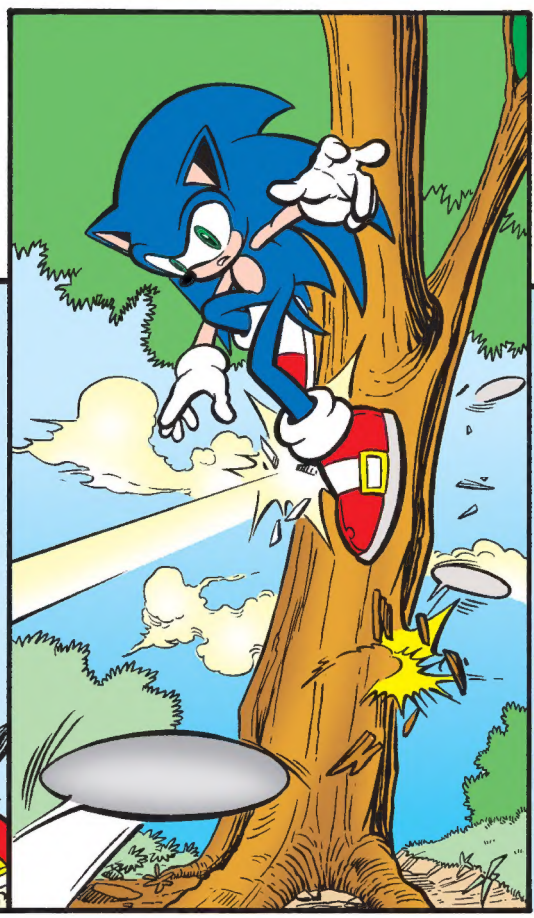
AH, SONIC, THIS IS THE MOST FUN I'VE HAD SINCE REBUILDING MYSELF.

NOW HOW ABOUT A REAL CHALLENGE--

--LIKE MY CYBERNETIC SHREDDER BLADES?!

THIS IS YOUR IDEA OF LETTING ME RESCUE TAILS?

AS I SAID--I MAKE THE RULES --AND CHANGE THE RULES!



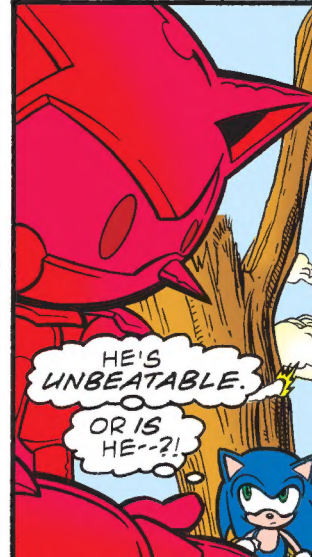
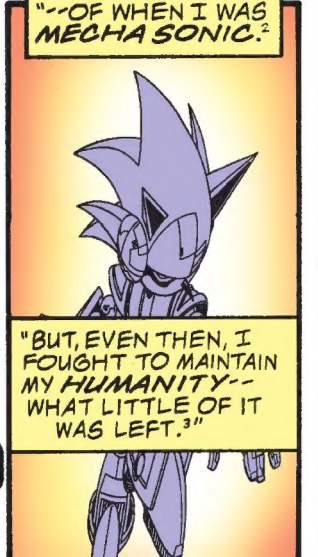
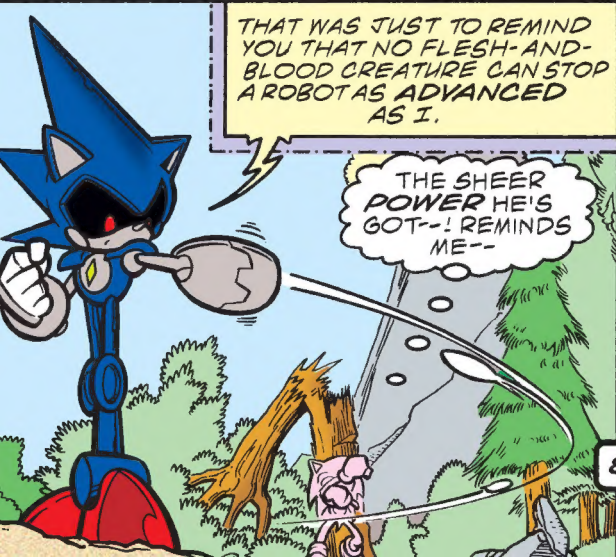
THAT WAS JUST TO REMIND YOU THAT NO FLESH- AND- BLOOD CREATURE CAN STOP A ROBOT AS ADVANCED AS I.

THE SHEER POWER HE'S GOT--! REMINDS ME--

--OF WHEN I WAS MECHA SONIC.?

"BUT, EVEN THEN, I FOUGHT TO MAINTAIN MY HUMANITY-- WHAT LITTLE OF IT WAS LEFT."

HE'S UNBEATABLE. OR IS HE--?!







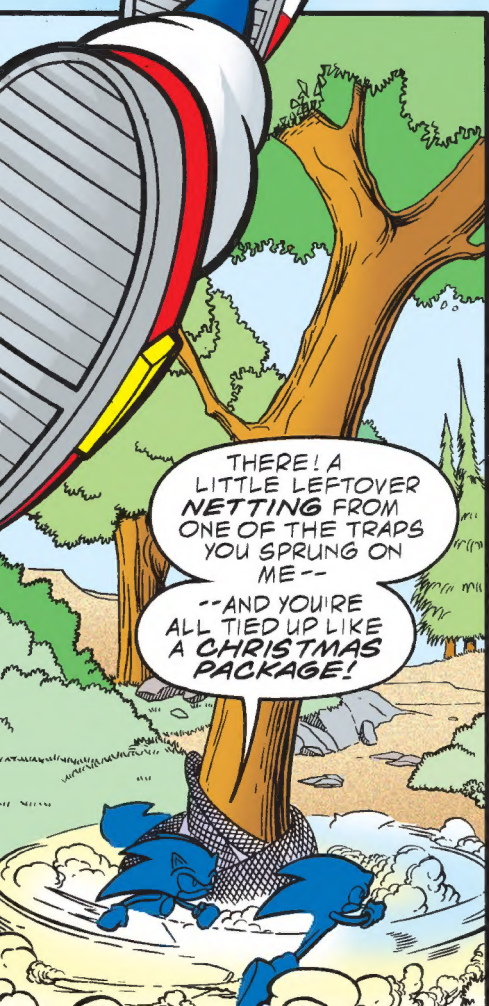
IF I CAN TAKE THE METALMEISTER OUT OF COMMISSION FOR EVEN A LITTLE WHILE--

--I'LL HAVE A CHANCE TO SAVE TAILS!

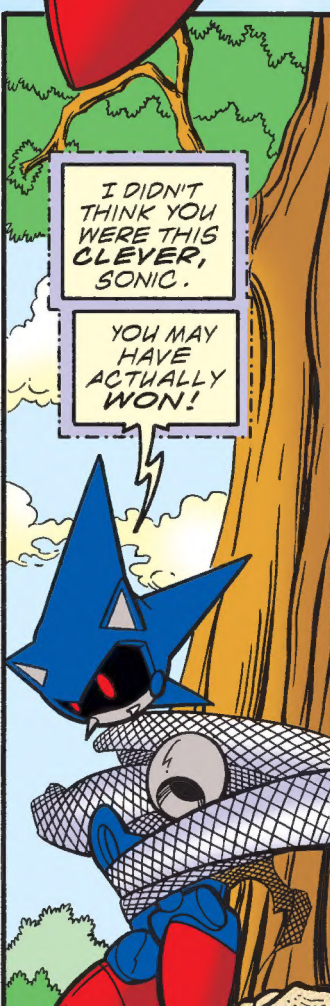
STOP! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!



TAKING YOU OFF-LINE!



THERE! A LITTLE LEFTOVER NETTING FROM ONE OF THE TRAPS YOU SPRUNG ON ME--  
--AND YOU'RE ALL TIED UP LIKE A CHRISTMAS PACKAGE!

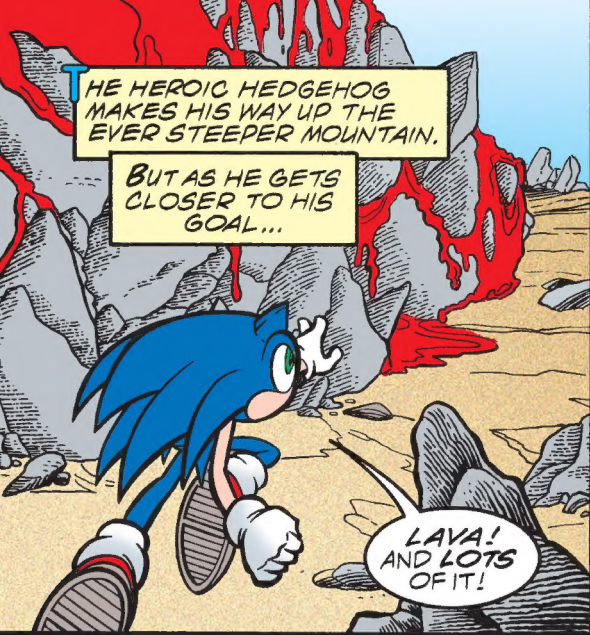


I DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE THIS CLEVER, SONIC.  
YOU MAY HAVE ACTUALLY WON!



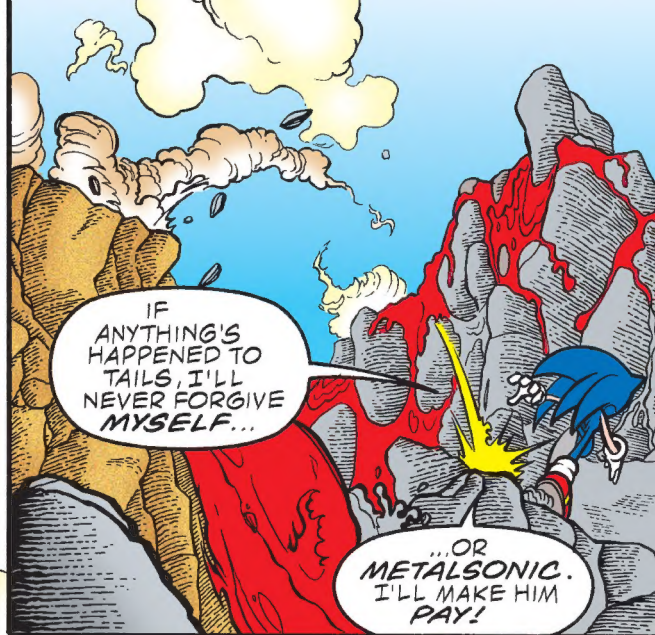
THAT WAS TOO EASY. HE MUST HAVE THE SNEAKEST SET-UP OF ALL PLANNED!

I'VE GOT TO BE MORE ALERT THAN EVER!



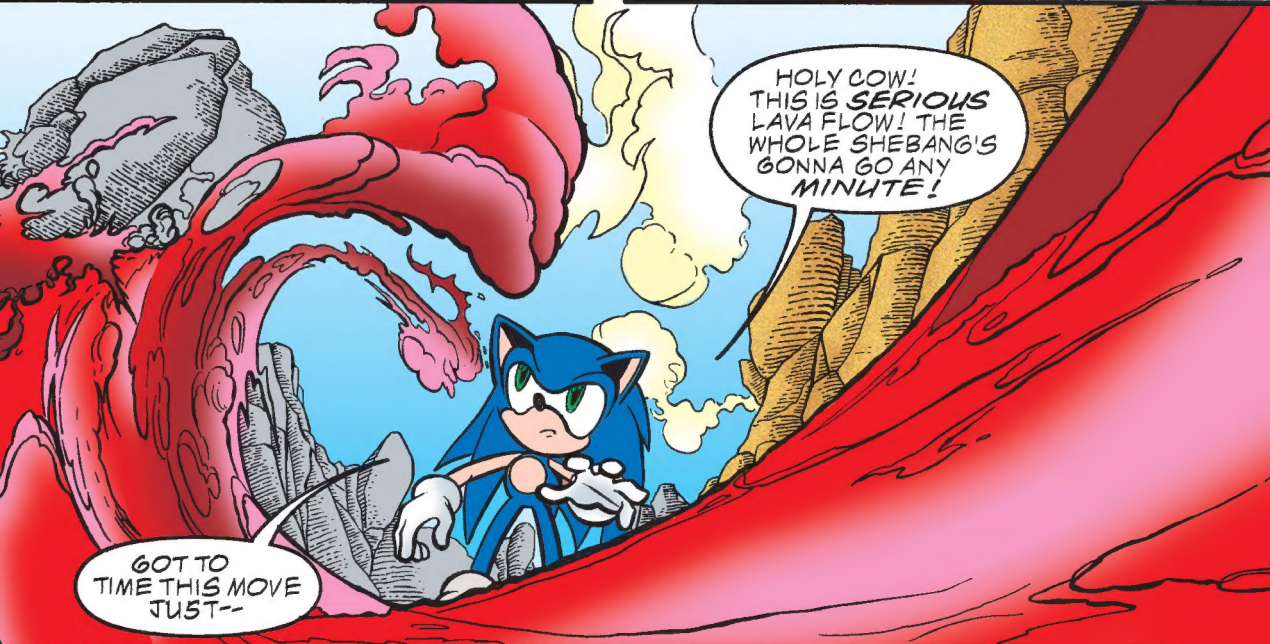
THE HEROIC HEDGEHOG  
MAKES HIS WAY UP THE  
EVER STEEPER MOUNTAIN.  
BUT AS HE GETS  
CLOSER TO HIS  
GOAL...

LAVA!  
AND LOTS  
OF IT!



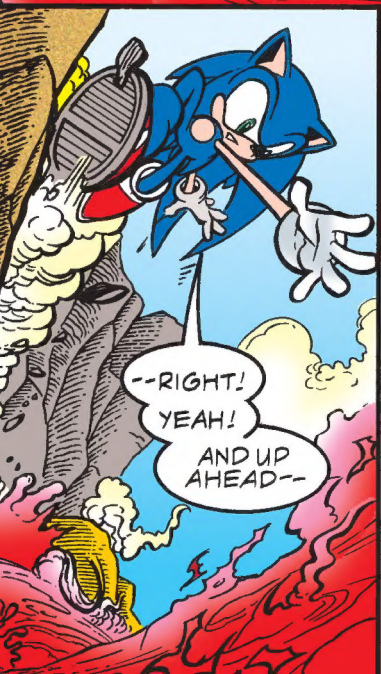
IF  
ANYTHING'S  
HAPPENED TO  
TAILS, I'LL  
NEVER FORGIVE  
MYSELF...

...OR  
METALSONIC.  
I'LL MAKE HIM  
PAY!



HOLY COW!  
THIS IS SERIOUS  
LAVA FLOW! THE  
WHOLE SHEBANG'S  
GONNA GO ANY  
MINUTE!

GOT TO  
TIME THIS MOVE  
JUST--

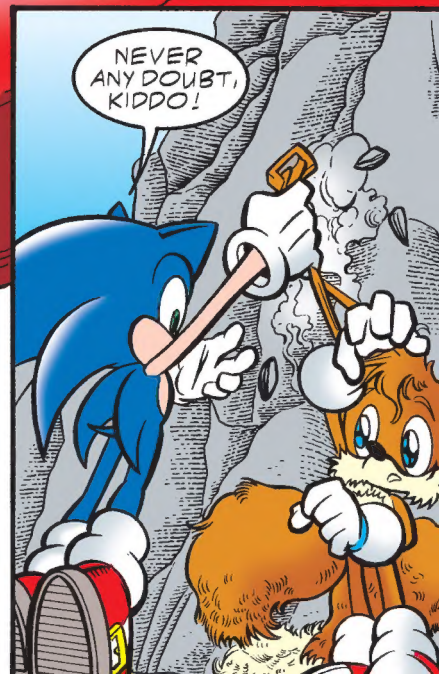


--RIGHT!  
YEAH!  
AND UP  
AHEAD--



--TAILS!  
I'M HERE,  
BUDDY!

I-I KNEW  
YOU'D GET HERE,  
SONIC!



NEVER  
ANY DOUBT,  
KIDDO!



AWRIGHT! I HAVE **CIRCULATION** IN MY WRISTS AGAIN!



THAT LAVA'S CIRCULATING PRETTY GOOD, TOO!  
WE BETTER MOVE FAST OR--

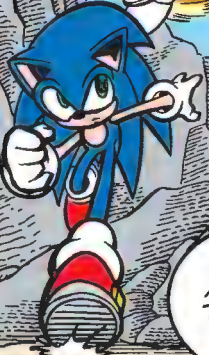
--OR METALSONIC WILL GET FREE AND CATCH UP?



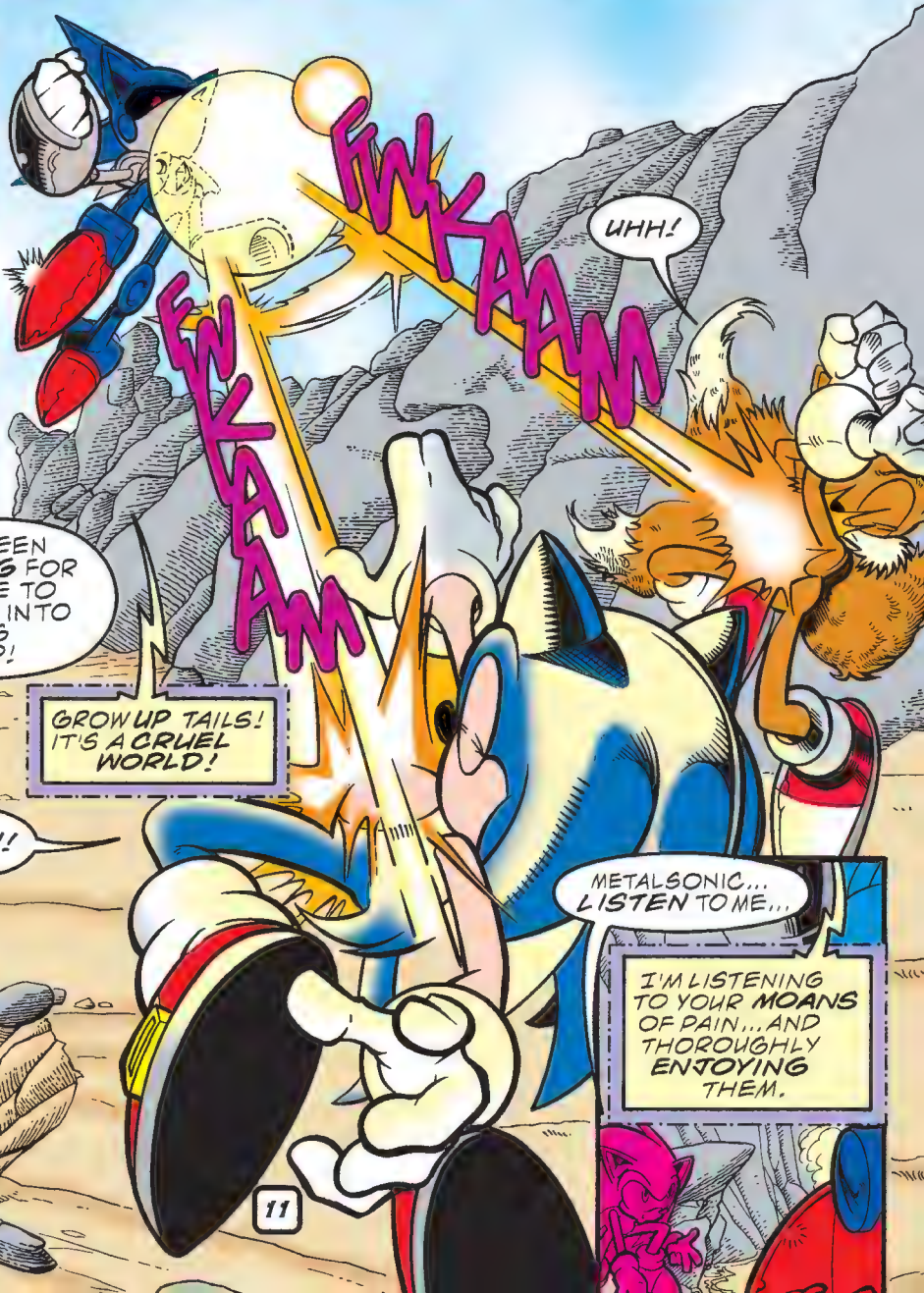
DID YOU REALLY THINK YOU'D STOPPED ME, SONIC?



NO MORE MIND GAMES, METALMORONIC!  
LET'S GET HIM, TAILS!



I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR A CHANCE TO TURN HIM INTO TALKING SCRAP!



UHH!

GROW UP TAILS! IT'S A CRUEL WORLD!

AAGH!

METALSONIC... LISTEN TO ME...

I'M LISTENING TO YOUR MOANS OF PAIN... AND THOROUGHLY ENJOYING THEM.

LISTEN... I DO KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A ROBOT, I WAS ONE.

BUT YOU GAVE UP THE GIFT, YOU FOOLISH HEDGEHOG!

YOU'RE RIGHT METALSONIC. YOU ARE FASTER AND STRONGER THAN ME.

AS I'VE BEEN PROVING ALL DAY.

BUT WHAT GOOD DOES IT DO YOU? THERE'S MORE TO LIFE THAN THAT.

THERE'S FRIENDS AND FEELINGS AND JUST THE JOY OF BEING ALIVE!

BECAUSE I FOUGHT MY PROGRAMMING!

BECAUSE IT'S NOT WEAKNESS! A BEING'S FEELINGS, ITS SPIRIT, IS THE GREATEST THING THERE IS!

THE PRATTLING OF A DOOMED HEDGEHOG!

IT'S NO USE, YOU'LL NEVER UNDERSTAND! BUT YOU WON'T WIN, EITHER.

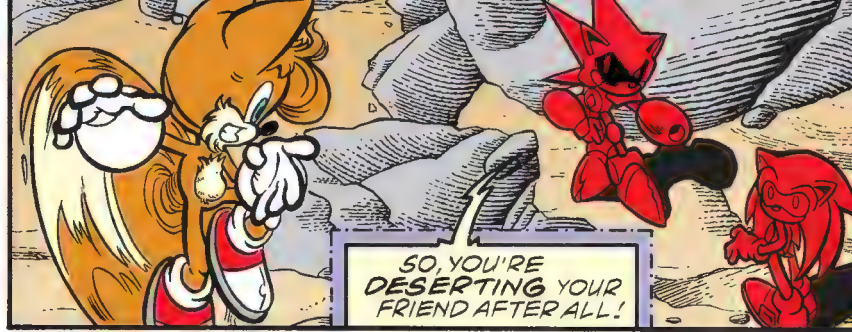
WHY WOULD I EMBRACE WEAKNESS WHEN I HAVE STRENGTH AND POWER?!

TAILS! I'M GONNA KEEP METALBRITCHES HERE BUSY! YOU FLY AWAY! NOW!

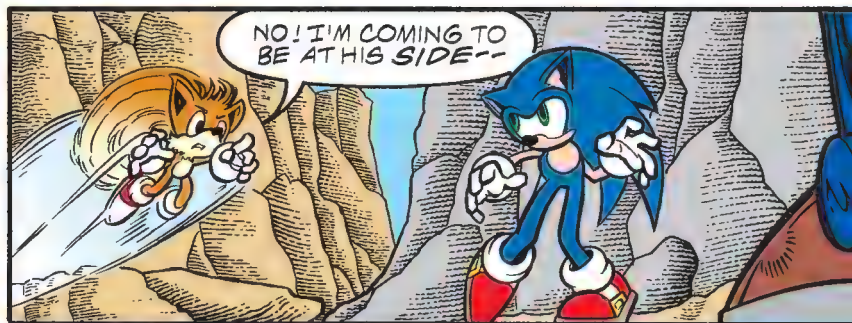
NO WAY! I'M NOT LEAVIN' YOU!

THIS IS WHERE FEELINGS GET YOU. YOU'RE BOTH DOOMED, NOW!

NO, WE'RE NOT!



SO, YOU'RE DESERTING YOUR FRIEND AFTER ALL!

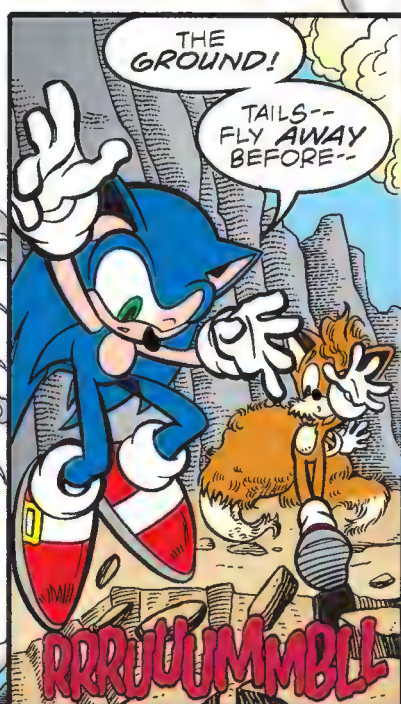


NO! I'M COMING TO BE AT HIS SIDE--



--SO WE CAN STOP YOU TOGETHER!

...



THE GROUND!

TAILS-- FLY AWAY BEFORE--

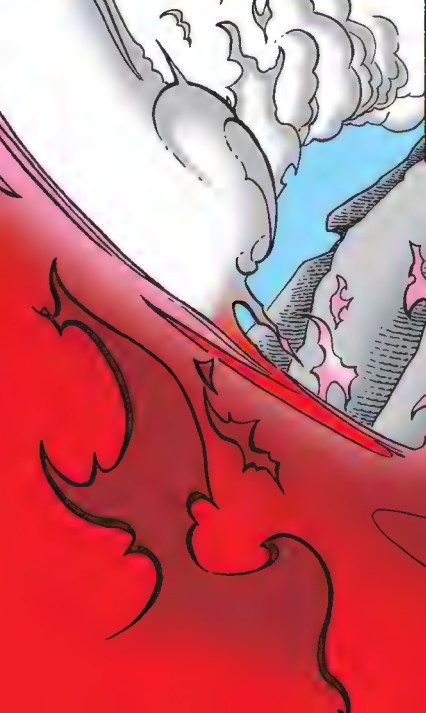
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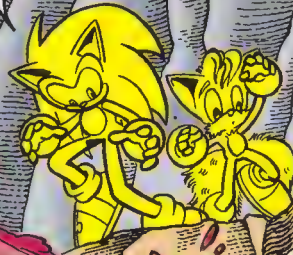
TOO LATE! I'M TRAPPED!

THAT MAKES TWO OF US, LITTLE BUDDY!

KWUMP

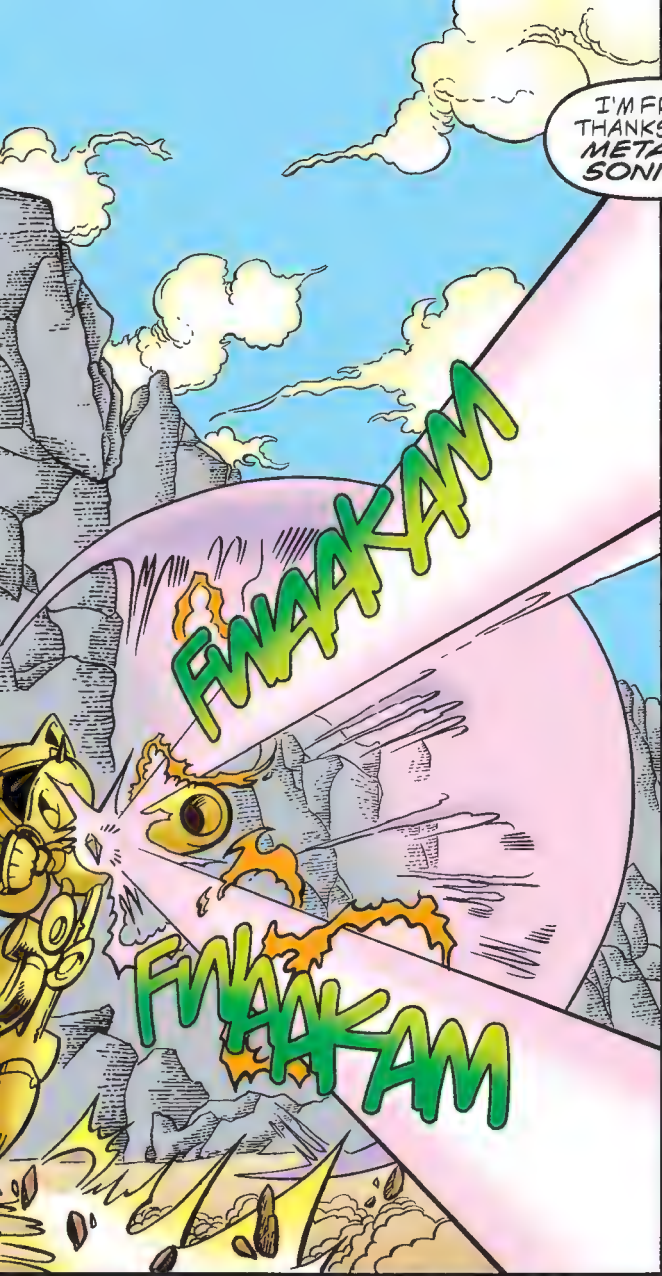


BE BRAVE, TAILS!

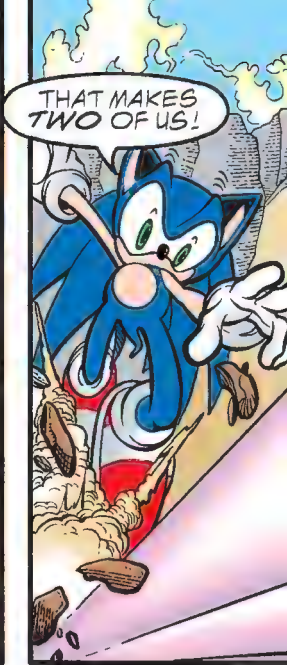
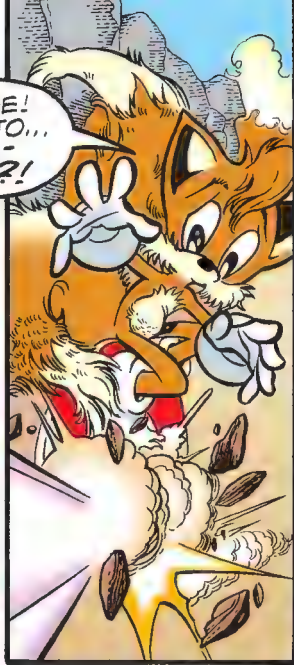


YOU, TOO, SONIC!

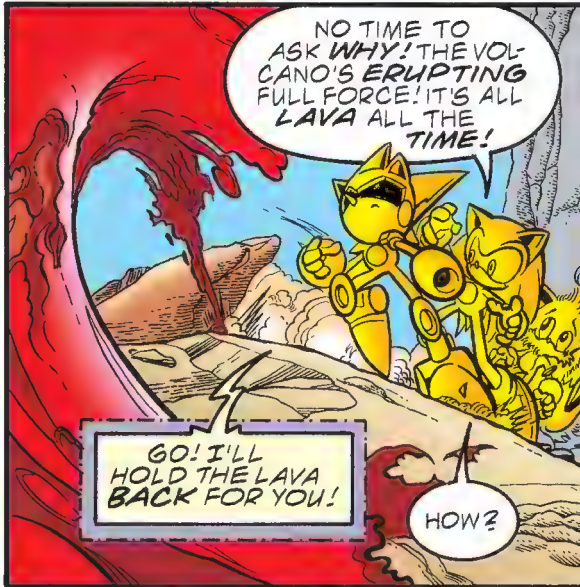
YOU LEAVE ME NO CHOICE...



I'M FREE!  
THANKS TO...  
METAL-  
SONIC?!



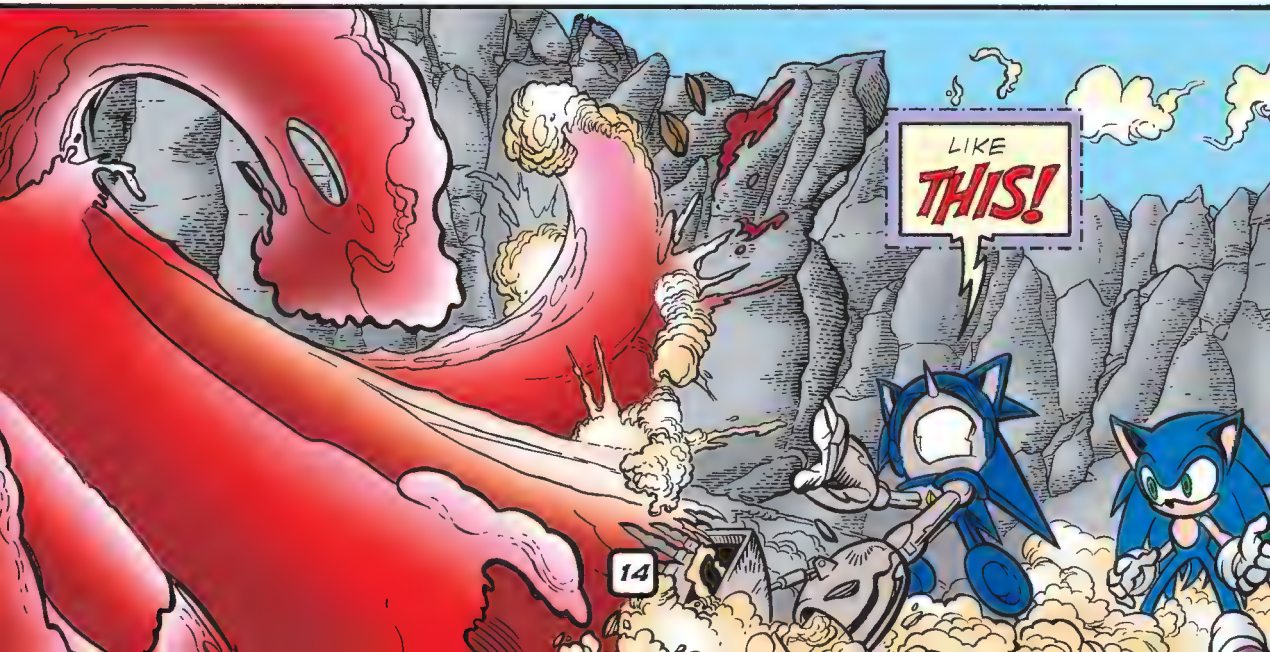
THAT MAKES  
TWO OF US!



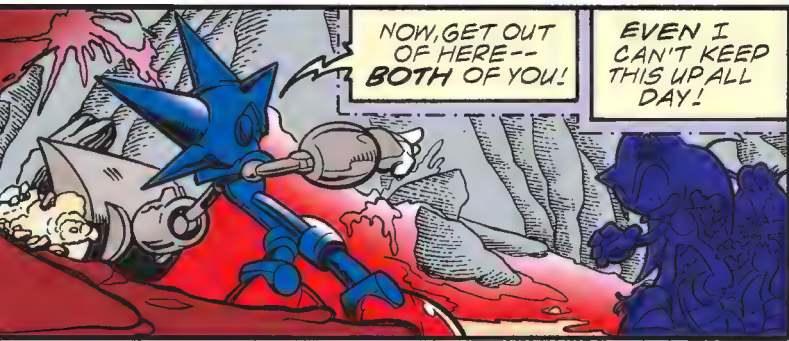
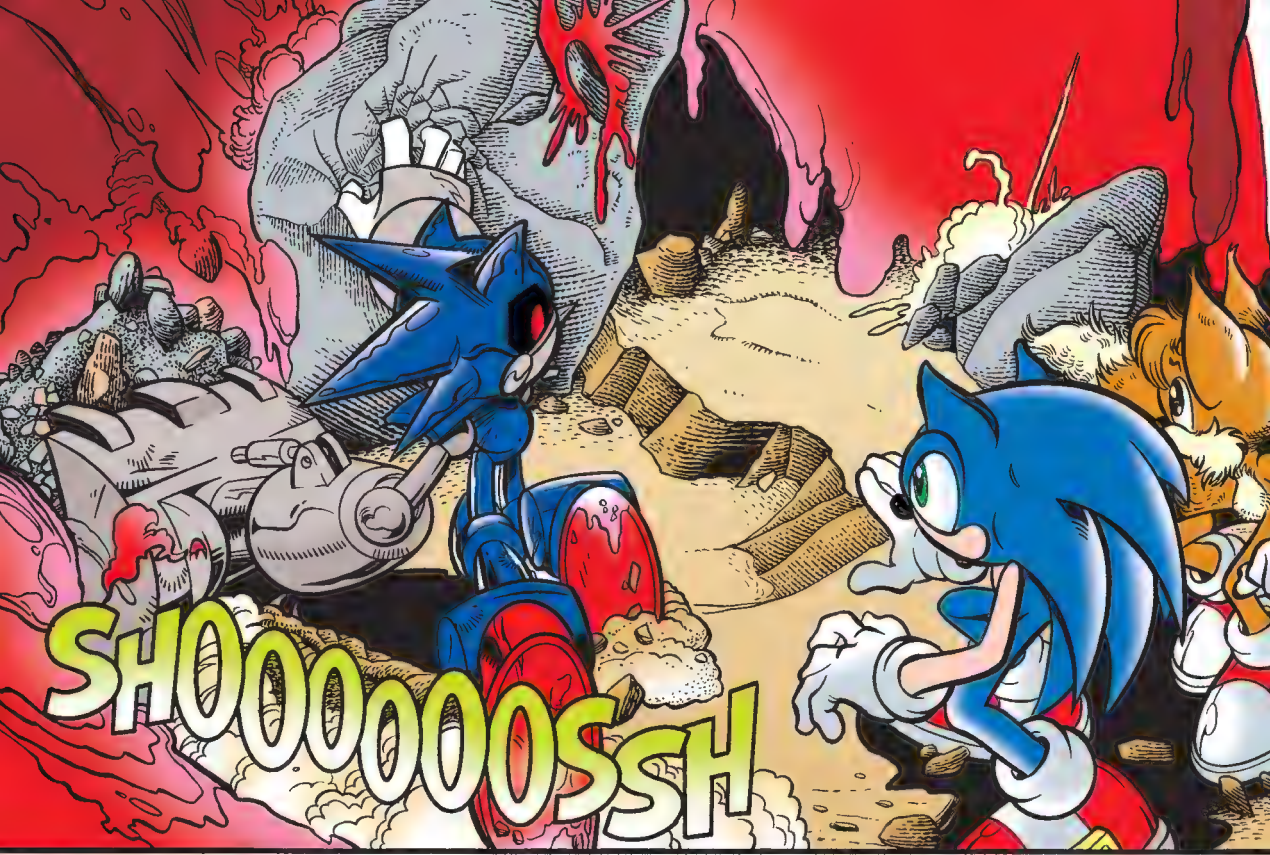
NO TIME TO  
ASK WHY! THE VOL-  
CANO'S ERUPTING  
FULL FORCE! IT'S ALL  
LAVA ALL THE  
TIME!

GO! I'LL  
HOLD THE LAVA  
BACK FOR YOU!

HOW?



LIKE  
**THIS!**

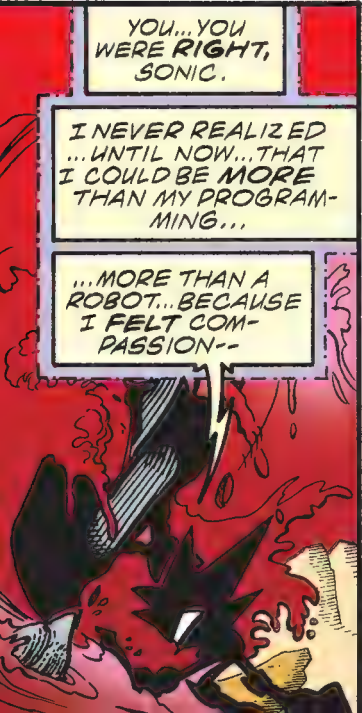


NOW, GET OUT OF HERE-- BOTH OF YOU!

EVEN I CAN'T KEEP THIS UP ALL DAY!



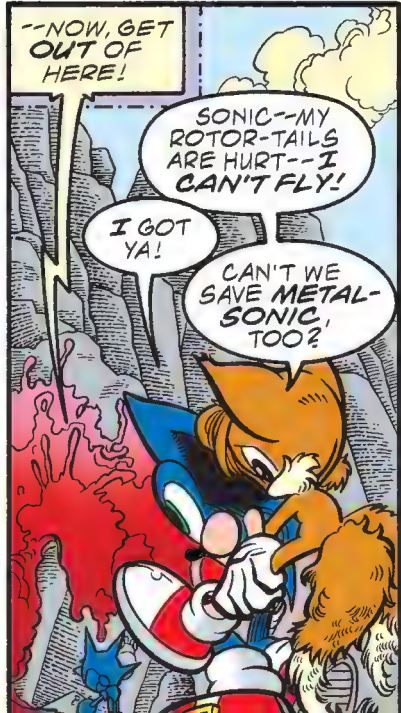
THIS... THIS ISN'T A TRICK, IS IT?



YOU... YOU WERE RIGHT, SONIC.

I NEVER REALIZED ...UNTIL NOW... THAT I COULD BE MORE THAN MY PROGRAMMING...

...MORE THAN A ROBOT... BECAUSE I FELT COMPASSION--

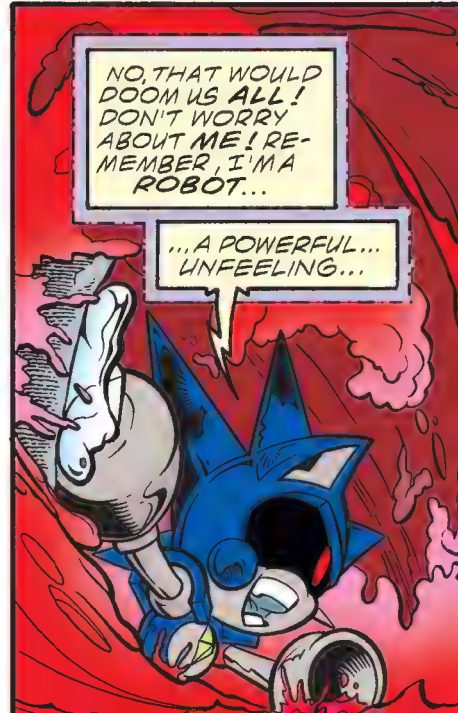


--NOW, GET OUT OF HERE!

SONIC--MY ROTOR-TAILS ARE HURT-- I CAN'T FLY!

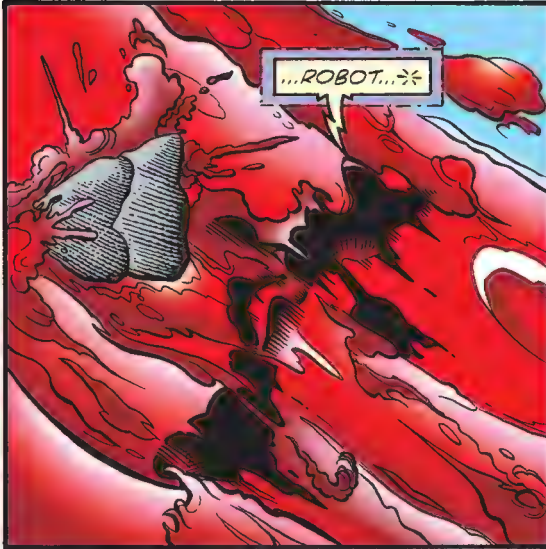
I GOT YA!

CAN'T WE SAVE METAL-SONIC, TOO?



NO, THAT WOULD DOOM US ALL! DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME! REMEMBER, I'M A ROBOT...

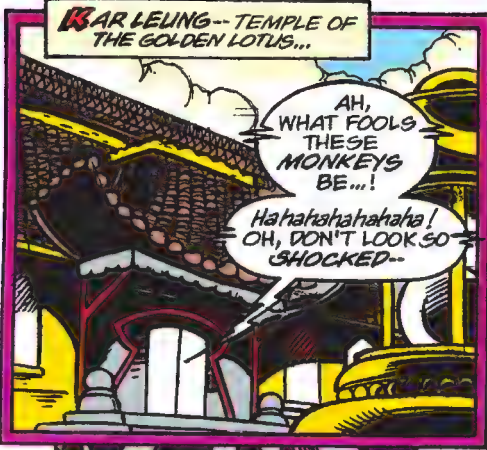
...A POWERFUL... UNFEELING...





# MONKEY KHAN IN AGAINST THE HAUNTED PAST

PART  
TWO



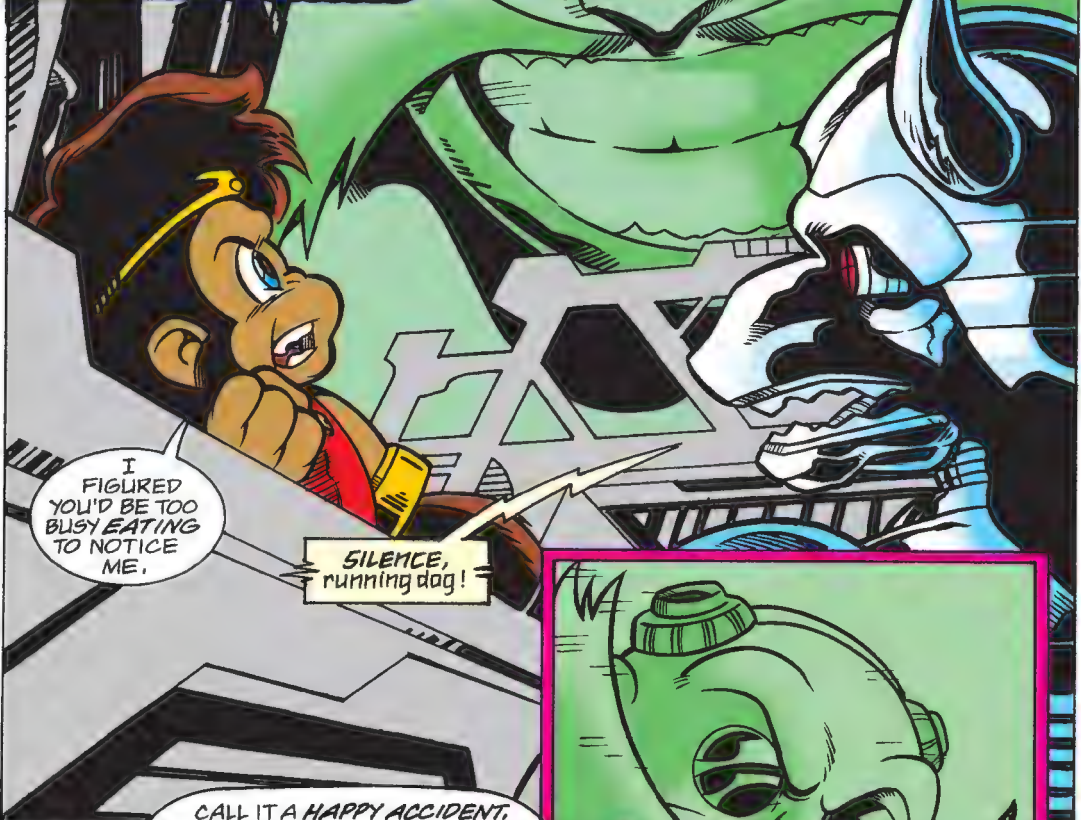
**KAR LEUNG**-- TEMPLE OF  
THE GOLDEN LOTUS...

AH,  
WHAT FOOLS  
THESE  
MONKEYS  
BE...!

Hahahahahaha!  
OH, DON'T LOOK SO  
SHOCKED--

--YOU DIDN'T THINK  
YOU COULD ACTUALLY EVADE  
ME FOREVER, DID YOU?

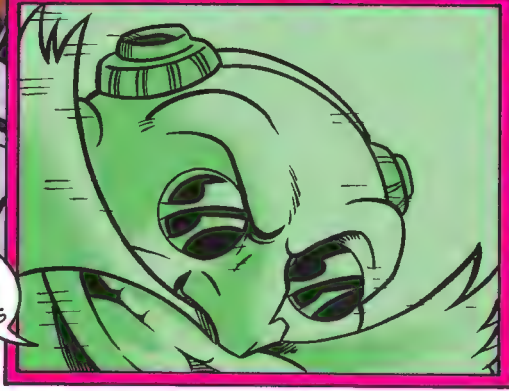
**FRANK STROM**  
**WRITER/PENCILER**  
**HARVO**  
**INKER**  
**VICKIE WILLIAMS**  
**LETTERER**  
**FRANK GAGLIARDO**  
**COLORIST**  
**J.F. GABRIE**  
**WAZ HERE!**



I  
FIGURED  
YOU'D BE TOO  
BUSY EATING  
TO NOTICE  
ME.

**SILENCE,**  
running dog!

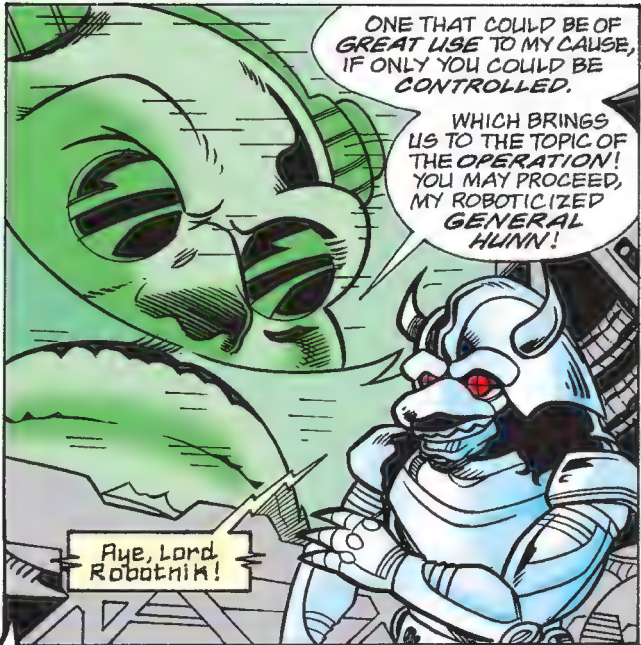
CALL IT A **HAPPY ACCIDENT.**  
I WAS ALREADY IN THE MIRST OF  
INVADING **KAR LEUNG**, WHEN LO  
AND BEHOLD I FIND YOU, MY LONG  
FORGOTTEN **PRODIGAL SON!**





NATURALLY, I WAS FURIOUS TO LEARN SALLY ACORN HAD FREED YOU FROM MY CONTAINMENT CELL' ...

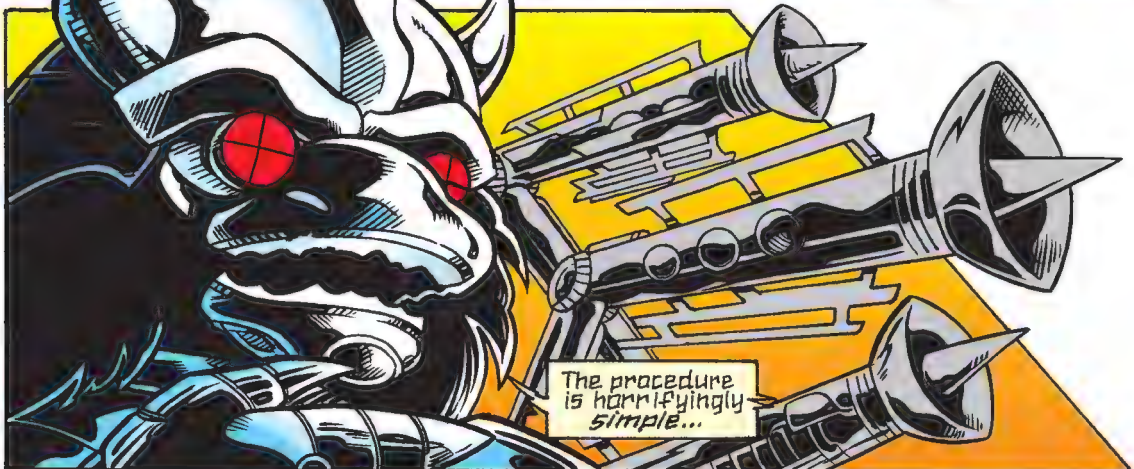
...BUT THEN NOSTALGIA SET IN. YOU WERE, WITHOUT A DOUBT, MY FINEST CREATION!



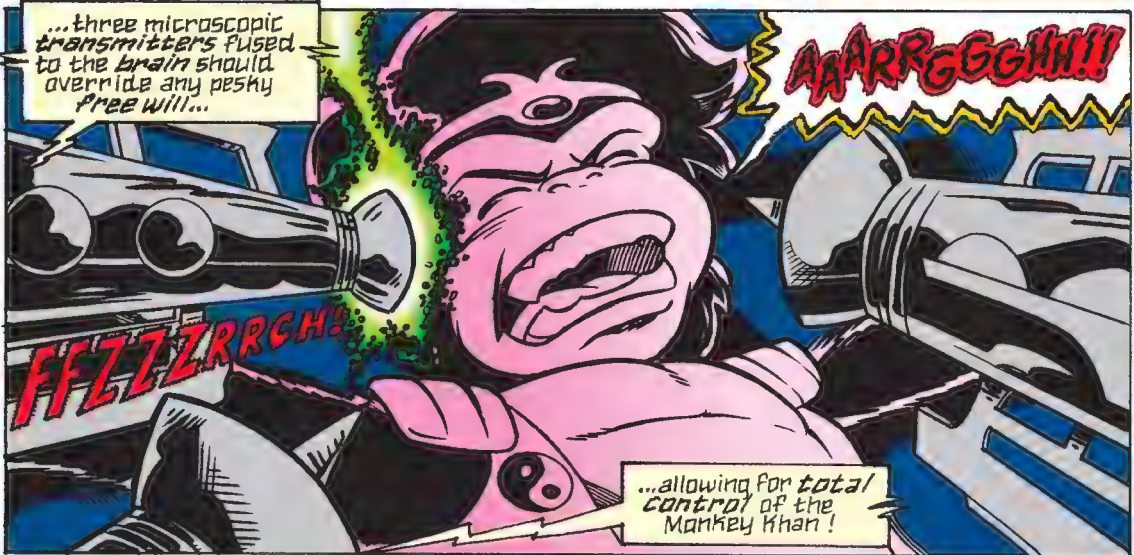
ONE THAT COULD BE OF GREAT USE TO MY CAUSE, IF ONLY YOU COULD BE CONTROLLED.

WHICH BRINGS US TO THE TOPIC OF THE OPERATION! YOU MAY PROCEED, MY ROBOTICIZED GENERAL HUNN!

Aye, Lord Robotnik!



The procedure is horrifyingly simple...

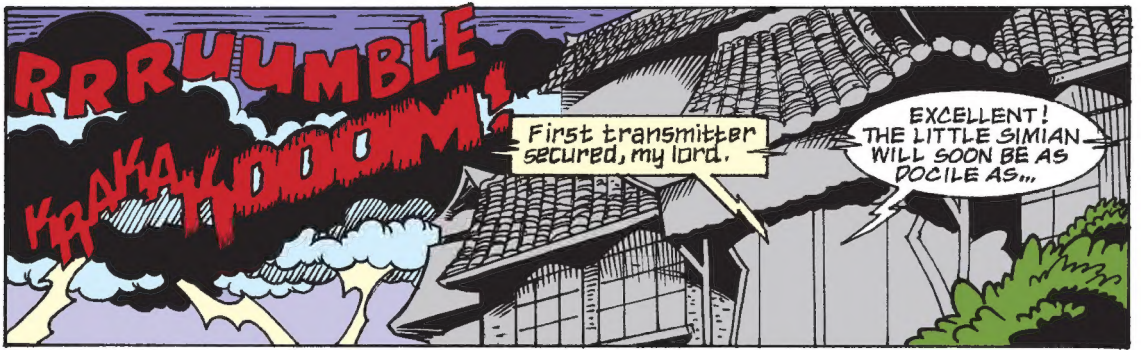


...three microscopic transmitters fused to the brain should override any pesky free will...

FFZZRRCH!

AAARRGGH!!!

...allowing for total control of the Monkey Khan!



First transmitter secured, my lord.

EXCELLENT! THE LITTLE SIMIAN WILL SOON BE AS DOCILE AS...



DON'T CONGRATULATE YOURSELF YET, RUSTBUCKET!

I'M NOT ABOUT TO SIT STILL WHILE YOU TAKE AWAY MY BASIC FREEDOMS!



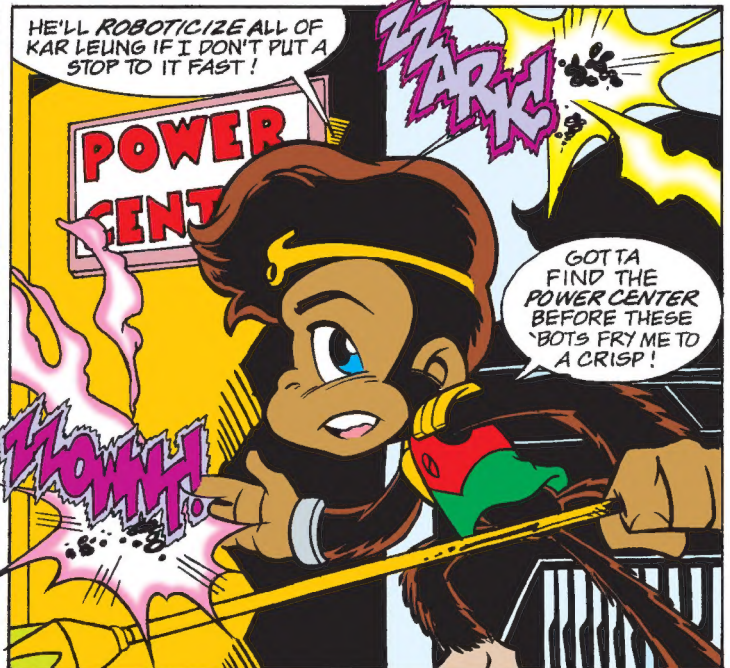
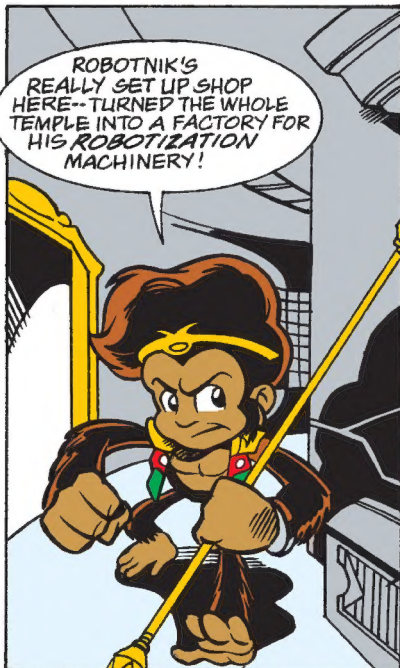
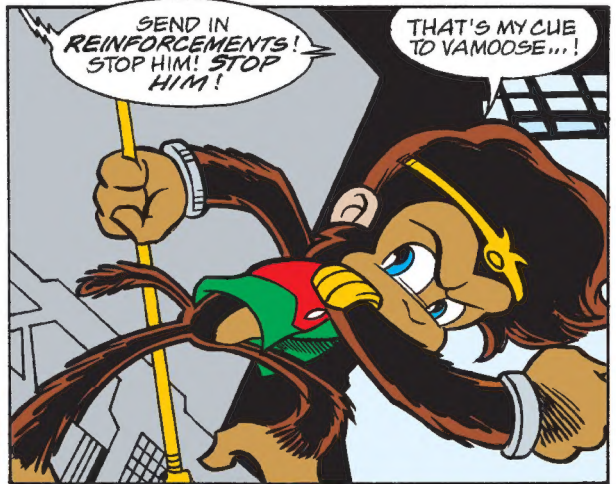
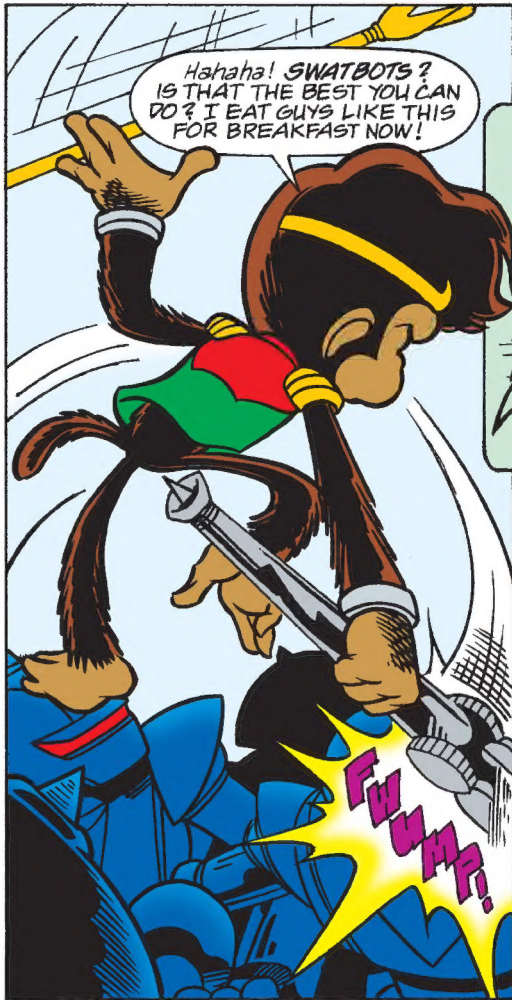
GOOD GRAY! WHERE DID THIS POWER COME FROM? HE WAS STRONG BEFORE, BUT NOT...!

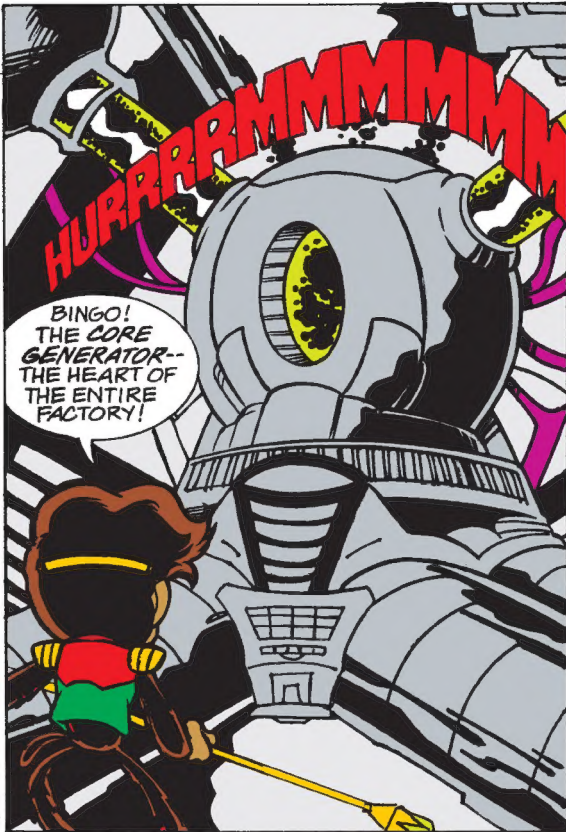
THE SECRET'S IN THE POWER RING HEADBAND, TUBBY--



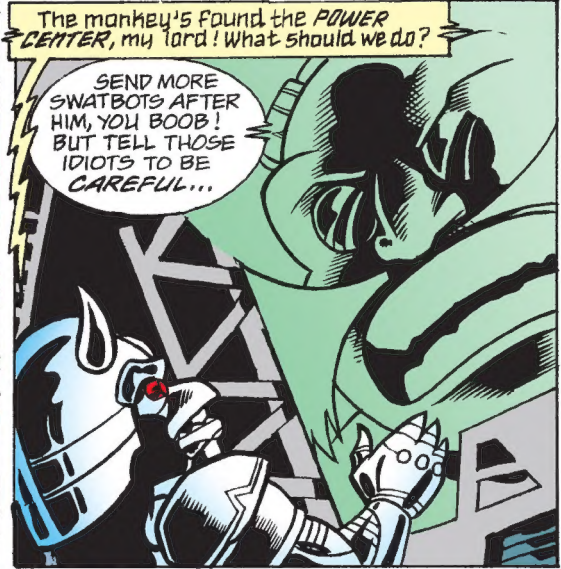
--IT ACTS AS A SUPER BATTERY FOR MY CYBERNETIC...

uh-oh.





BINGO!  
THE CORE  
GENERATOR--  
THE HEART OF  
THE ENTIRE  
FACTORY!

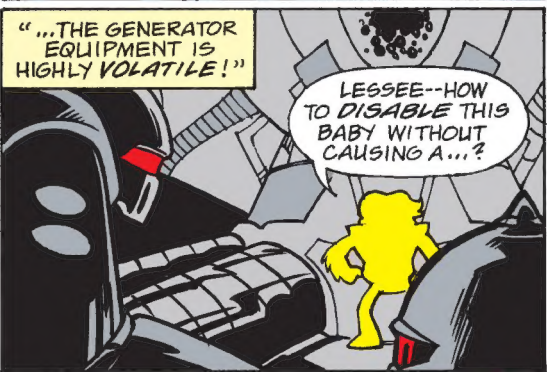


The monkey's found the **POWER CENTER**, my lord! What should we do?

SEND MORE  
SWATBOTS  
AFTER  
HIM, YOU  
BOOB!  
BUT TELL  
THOSE  
IDIOTS TO  
BE  
CAREFUL...



HERE THEY  
COME--LIKE  
BULLS IN  
A NUCLEAR  
CHINA  
SHOP!

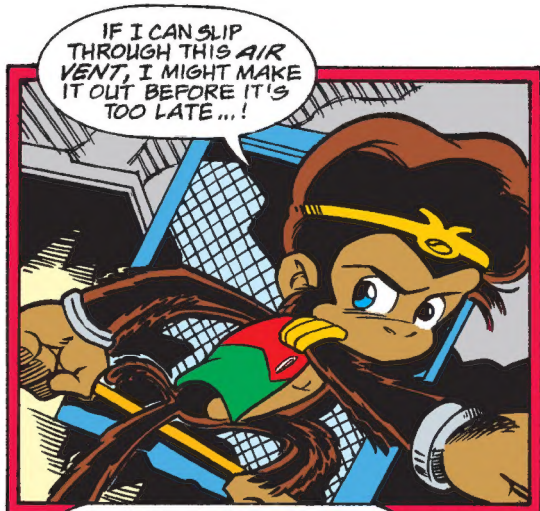


"...THE GENERATOR  
EQUIPMENT IS  
HIGHLY VOLATILE!"

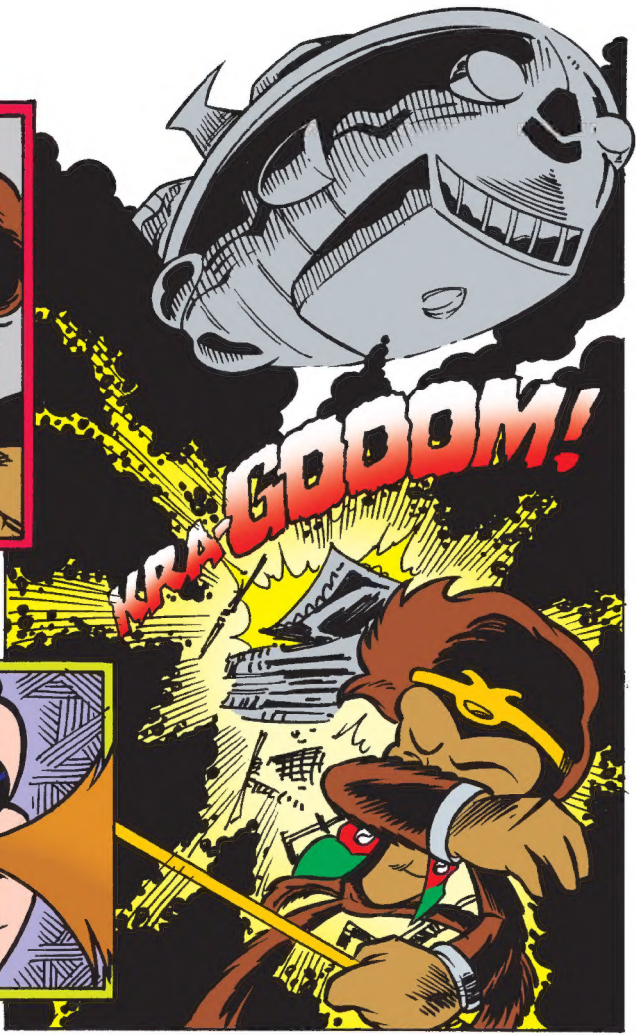
LESSEE--HOW  
TO DISABLE  
THIS  
BABY  
WITHOUT  
CAUSING  
A...?



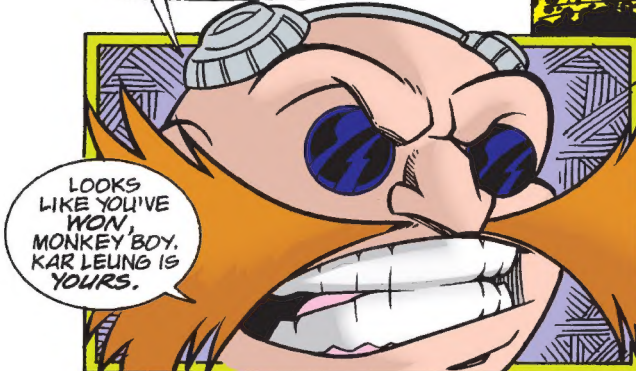
THOSE FOOLS  
HIT THE  
GENERATOR!  
THE WHOLE  
PLACE IS  
GONNA  
BLOW  
SKY HIGH!!



IF I CAN SLIP THROUGH THIS AIR VENT, I MIGHT MAKE IT OUT BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE ...!



ARRGH! MY BEAUTIFUL FACTORY--RUINED BEYOND REPAIR!



LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE WON, MONKEY BOY. KAR LEUNG IS YOURS.



OF COURSE, I'D ALREADY FINISHED ROBOTICIZING THE TOWNSFOLK BEFORE YOU REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS. THEY'LL BE COMING WITH ME.



BUT YOU DID GAIN VICTORY, AND TO THE VICTOR, THE SPOILS: A BURNING GHOST TOWN.

ENJOY!

**END**